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# Just a Minute

Being one of the persons who believe that Commemoratives play an important part in numismatics, I hate to see our Commemorative Half Dollars used as a political football. Certain pressure groups have been able to issue as many as eighteen coins of the same design, changing only the date and mint mark. Other organizations sponsoring a truly historical event, but not represented by the proper 1770 Charles III, Ext. Fine...10.00 political interests, can't even get 1771 Charles III, Very Fine.. 9.00 a bill reported out of committee.

Commemorative coins could not only be a medallic history of our country, but could be representative of the finest design and art work of which our generation is capable. Some of the Commemoratives issued are of fine workmanship and truly historical. However, there are too many that have been issued as a political favor, apparently designed at the lowest possible cost, with no worth-while accomplishment shown

from the profits made.
It is too late to do anything about that which is past, but as the largest potential buyers of these coins, we certainly should have something to say about future issues. To me it would seem a worth-while project for the numismatic organizations and its members to try to bring some sensible solution to this farce. We would welcome your comments and any constructive solutions or criticisms will be presented to the proper authorities.

NOTE: The B.T. Washington committee was successful in getting a bill passed which will allow them to issue coins for 3 years (4 sets, 12 coins) commemorating Geo.W. Carver.

# PILLAR DOLLARS

Mexico Mint 1742 Philip V, Very Fine....\$12.50 1746 Philip V, Very Fine.... 12.50 1750 Ferdinand VI. Ext. Fine.12.50 1751 Ferdinand VI. V. Fine...10.00 1752 Ferdinand VI, Ext. Fine.12.50 1754 Ferdinand VI, Very Fine.10.00 1759 Ferdinand VI, V. Fine...10.00 1760 Ferdinand VI, Abt. Unc...12.50 1761 Charles III, Very Fine. 9.00 1762 Charles III, Very Fine. 9.00 1764 Charles III, Abt. Unc...12.50 1767 Charles III, Ext.Fine...15.00 1768 Charles III, Ext.Fine...12.50

## PANAMA PACIFIC EXPOSITION FIFTY DOLLAR PIECE

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# Ancient Gold Coins

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# Foreign Gold Coins

# LIECHTENSTEIN

1946 Gold 20 and 10 Francs with head of Franz Joseph. Design by Stockmann. A regular coinage but less than 10,000 sets struck. Unpriced in Coins of the World but has auction records to \$65.00 for the pair. My previous retail price was \$50.00.

SPECIAL The pair, Brill. Unc.....\$ 35.00

# Geo. Washington Carver-Booker T. Washington Half Dollars

1951 Phila. Mint.....\$3.00 1951 PDS Set (9,000).....10.00 1952 PDS Set (6,000).....10.00 (Even if a butcher doesn't like bologna, he still handles it.)

#### U. S. COLONIAL COINS

MASSACHUSETTES 1652 Oak Tree Shilling, Fine...... 35.00 MARYLAND 1783 Chalmers Sixpence About Fine and rare..... 50.00 NEW YORK 1787 Cent, choice Real, pewter. Fine plus..... PITT Halfpenny, Ext. Fine.... 9.00 U. S. BAR CENT, Very fine.... 12.50 ROSA AMERICANA 1722 Penny, Ext. Fine, choice..... 7.50 VERMONTIS 1785, Fine plus.... 12.50

## 1863 QUARTER EAGLE

The 1863 is one of the rarest U. S. gold coins; only 30 pieces struck, all in Proof. This specimen has brilliant surface but shows slight nicks in field. A desirable and extremely rare coin.....\$975.00

#### MINT MARKS AND SYMBOLS ON EARLY COINS

In collecting old coins, marks of origin should receive attention first because attributing a coin to its proper country, age and the reign in which it was minted, is of utmost importance. And then, if possible, to determine the year and place of mintage which should enable the collector to assign it to the proper place in his collection.

Some ancient coins were uninscribed: others bore the name of the country of issue in abbreviated form. The name of the Emperor or Governor by whose orders they were struck was inacribed upon the wins of Imperial Rome. The legends, mostly abbreviated, generally added some explanatory particulars so that the exact date of Roman coins can often be told from the event they commemorate; also from the title of the ruler, or from the time of his Consulate or Tributian power.

The place of mintage was added to some of the Roman coins and it is generally seen on Saxon and Anglo-Norman issues. Many of the early English coins had certain mint marks on them denoting the places where they were struck, as well as the name of the moneyer or mintmaster. In later years the initials of the die-sinker have been added.

It will thus be seen that there is much to be learned from mint marks, and that they have a bearing on the value of a coin is true. As an instance of marks of origin, denoting origin of the metal and not place of mintage, there is the word "Lima" under the bust of George II of Great Britain, seen on many of his coins in silver and gold. Lima was the capital city of Peru, which was a Spanish possession in 1739 wh n Britain was at war with Spain. It we near Lima that a British flot took a "pani h treasure hip, in Alich was no less than £300,000 w rth of gold and silv r. This metal tions on coins. The date letters used the mint and the coinage and marks on ancient coins fell in-

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1866	1.50	4.75	12.50			
1867	1.50	4.50	10.00			
1868	1.50	4.75	10.00			
1869	1.50	4.75	10.00			
1870	2.50	6.25	12.50			
1871	3.00	8.00	12.50			
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1867	Fine 1.00; Very Fine	1.50
1867	Good 35¢; Very Good	.60
1868	Fine 1.00; Very Fine	1.50
1868	Good 35¢; Very Good	.60
1869	Fine 1.25; Very Fine	2.00
1869	Good 50¢; Very Good	.75
1870	Fine	2.50
1870	Good 75¢; Very Good	1.50
1871	Fine plus	
1872	Ex. Fine to About Unc	3.75
1872	Good 75¢; Very Good	1.25
1874	Very Fine, scarce	5.00
1874	Good 1.50; Very Good	2.50
1875	Fine to Very Fine	7.50
1875	About Good 2.00; V. Good.	4.50
1876	Very Good	2.00
1882	V. Good 50¢; Very Fine	1.00
1883	Shield, Very Fine	1.25

# MINT MARKS AND SYMBOLS (continued)

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### TRADE DOLLARS

SPECIAL

2. 2022	1930 P or 5 minus
1873 S Mint, Very Fine 5.00	1930 D Mint
1875 S Mint, About Unc 6.00	1931
1876 Very Fine 4.00	
1877 Very Fine 3.00	1931 D Mint 3.
1877 S Mint, Uncirculated 6.00	1932
1877 S Mint, About Unc 3.50	1932 D Mint
1877 S Mint, Very Fine 2.50	1933
1878 S Mint, Uncirculated 6.00	1933 D Mint
1878 S Mint, Very Fine plus 2.50	1934 P or D Mints
1880 Brilliant Proof17.50	1935 S or D Mints

#### MONROE DOCTRINE HALF DOLLAR

On December 5, 1922, a bill was introduced in the United States Senate by Senator Johnson of California, authorizing an issue of fifty cent pieces in commemoration of the Monroe Doctrine.

Congress authorized 300,000 pieces and in all, 274,077 were coined at the San Francisco Mint. None were reported as remelted.

Obverse: The conjoined heads of President James Monroe and John Quincy Adams (his secretary of state). Below, "Monroe-Adams," the names separated by two links. To left, "In God We Trust." To right, "1923" with "s" mint mark telow. Around upper circumference, "United States of America." Around lower, "Half Dollar."

Reverse: A representation of the Western Hemisphere. To the left, a scroll or parchment and quill pen separating the dates "1823" and "1923." Around upper circumference, Monroe Doctrine Centennial." Around lower, "Los Angeles." Designed by Jo Moro.

The Western Hemisphere on the coirs is a reproduction of a design used in 1901 for Pan-American publicity work; two females are used to represent North and South America. The one representing North America is in a sitting position with her right hand extended downward to the one representing South America.

The moving picture industry was the force behind the Monroe Doctrine Centennial coins. A Historical Revue and Motion Picture Exposition, commemorating the 100 anniversary of the Monroe Doctrine, was held during June at Los Angeles, from which a series of educational films were made.

One critic of this coin said,
"Even if the force behind the coin
is the moving picture industry of
Los Angeles," as stated, "the dignity and significance of this commemorative coin should not be compromised by any agency."

#### BIBLICAL DESIGN ON COINS

In 1923 when new coins were to be issued for the Union of South Africa, those in charge were discussing appropriate designs for these coins and what should be on the reverse. They decided on suitable symbolic designs and when they came to the farthing, one man who had read the Bible thought of that part of Matthew 10, Verse 29 - "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing," so the two sparrows, sitting on the branch of a South African thorn tree, were put on the farthing.

- Michael McDonald

LUBECK 1749 32 Shillings, V.F2.50	1
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RUSSIA 1734 Rouble of Anna, F4.00
1741 Rouble of John III who only ruled a few months. St. Petersburg
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Mint, rare. Choice. V. Fine30.00
1746 Rouble of Elizabeth, V.F., 6.00
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ST. CALLEN 1622 Taler, scarce.
Very Good5.00 1874 5 Francs, Swiss Shooting
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1628 Taler, Dom. Jubilee. VF7.50
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Dresden. Fine5.00
1711 Victory Taler, Elector on horseback Punch mark, Fine5.00
1872 2 Talers on Golden Wedding of
John and Amalie. Ext. Fine5.00
1909 5 Marks, University Leipzig.
Uncirculated5.00
1551 Albertine Line, Taler of
Moretz Annaberger. V. Fine7.50
1560 Albertine Line, Taler of August. Choice Very Fine7.50
1567 Albertine Line, Taler on cap-
ture of Gotha. Fine5.00
1596 Albertine Line, Taler, Three
brothers on obverse. V.Fine5.00
1610 Albertine Line, Taler, busts of
Christian, John George and August. Fine7.50.
1612 Albertine, Taler, busts of
John George and August, V.F6.(X)
1626 Albertine Line, Broad Taler.
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1539 Ernestine Line, Double Taler, bust of Fred. the Magnanimous.Struck
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Scarce, Very Fine12.50
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1613 Taler John Philipe and his three brothers. Fine to V.F4.00
SCHAFFHAUSEN 1865 5 Francs Swiss
Shooting Festival. Unc4.00
SCHAUMBURG-LIPPE 1857 Double Taler
George on 25th year of reign.
SCHWYS 1867 5 France Swiss Shooting
Festival. About Uncirculated3.50
SOUTH AFRICA 1948 Crown, BR. Un. 2.50

SPAIN 1621-65 Cob 8 Reals of Phillip IV. D for Duarte. Fine.....12.50 1660 8 Reals for Segovia, Very rare, About Uncirculated.....15.00 1798 8 Reals Charles IV. Madrid Mint. Very Fine.....5.00 1857 20 Reals of Isabel II. VF.2.50 SCHAFFHAUSEN 1621 Taler, ram leaping from Temple door. Fine 5.00 SWITZERLAND 1621 Taler for St. Callen, walking bear. Fine....7.50 1625 Taler for Constance in name of Ferdinand II. Ext. rare, Very fine.....35.00 1783 Taler for Zurich. Shield supported by lions. Abt. Unc. .12.50 1794 Taler for Geneva, 12 Florins 9 sols. Scarce. Only Fine....7.50 1798 Taler for Bern. Ancient Swiss and shield. Scarce, Unc. 12.50 1888 5 Francs, Very Fine.....3.00 1923 5 Francs, About Unc.....2.50 TOURNAI 1650 Patagon of Philip IV About Fine.....4.00 TRAUTSON 1618 Double Taler with bust of Paul Sextus. Scarce. Very Fine......25.00 TURKEY (1789-1807) Crown in good silver without Toughra. V.F...4.00 TUSCANY 1768 Crown of Leopold, draped bust. Fine plus.....4.00 1791 Scudo, head Ferd III.VF..3.00 1807 Taler (double). V.Fine...6.00 UTRECHT 1790 Ducaton, V.Fine..3.50 ZEELAND 1679 Ducaton, V.Gd....3.50 ZURICH 1872 Swiss Shooting Festival 5 Francs, Proof.....5.00

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## CRUDE COINS AT ENGLISH CORONATIONS

Price of a good seat at the crowning of William the Conqueror was a blank, and the same was charged for his son and successor, William Rufus. At that of Henry I, it was a crocard, and at King Stephen's and Henry II's, a pollard. The coin which changed hands frequently at King Richard's and King John's for an advantageous place was a fuskin, and rose at Henry III's to a dodkin.

The coins mentioned above were sort of base money of the lowest value, which were imported into England with many other pieces equally rude in their names. Most of them were later prohibited by Henry V in statue 3.

In the reign of Edward I the coims began to be more intelligible, and find that for seeing the coronation a Q was given, or the half of a farthing. For Henry V and Henry VI's crowning it was half of a grossus or great (two pennies). At Queen Elizabeth's it was a teston, or testor (sixpence).

— Clarence Fink